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Second Installment of Katrina Aid Delivered

Questions remain about national preparedness and federal emergency response

Washington, DC – The hurricane-battered South is set to receive another installment of federal aid after the House voted today to authorize an additional \$51.8 billion for the Departments of Defense and Homeland Security, and the Army Corps of Engineers for immediate emergency response and recovery needs associated with Hurricane Katrina. Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI) released the following statement:

"The emergency aid approved today is a necessary and immediate measure to support the relief and recovery efforts in New Orleans and the Gulf region. Our primary goal is to ensure that those struggling in the wake of the storm have the tools they need to provide for themselves and their families and start rebuilding their lives. Relief and reconstruction, however, are just the first steps. Looking ahead, Congress must find out why the response to Hurricane Katrina was so inadequate and fix the problems so we are better prepared in the future to ensure the safety of our citizens."